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SUBJECT: COORDINATION OF EC EMERGENCY AID FOR ZAIRE

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1. MISSION IS INFORMED THAT EC COMMISSION HOSTED AN
INFORMAL MEETING JUNE 24 IN BRUSSELS ATTENDED BY
BELGIAN, UK, FRENCH AND FRG AID REPS REGARDING MANAGE-
MENT, COORDINATION AND HARMONIZATION OF COMMUNITY
EMERGENCY AID FOR ZAIRE (REFTEL). GERARD MOLINIER, EC
COMMISSION AID OFFICIAL, TELLS US THAT COMMISSION WILL
ACCELERATE DELIVERY OF 10,000 TONS OF CEREALS AND SMALL
QUANTITIES OF BUTTER-OIL AND SKIMMED MILK POWER PREV-
IOUSLY ALLOCATED FOR ZAIRE; THESE COMMODITIES ARE EX-
PECTED TO ARRIVE AT MATADI BEGINNING IN MID-JULY. IN
ORDER TO FACILITATE PROPER LOCAL HANDLING AND DISTRI-
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BUTION OF COMMUNITY EMERGENCY AID, INCLUDING MEDICINES
AND FOOD ASSISTANCE DONATED BY EC MEMBER STATES, A
TELEX WILL BE SENT IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO EC COMMISSION
DELEGATION IN KINSHASA INSTRUCTING EC REP TO CONSULT
WITH AMBASSADORS OF EC 9 AND US EMBASSY OFFICIALS ON
TIMING AND MODALITIES OF AID DISTRIBUTION AND RELATED
QUESTIONS.

2. REGARDING LINKAGE OF WESTERN AID TO GOZ REFORMS, MOLINIER INDICATED THAT EC PRIORITY IN SHORT-RUN IS TO OBTAIN GUARANTEES REGARDING CHANNELS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF EMERGENCY AID IN ZAIRE, NOT WIDER ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS OF THE TYPE SOUGHT BY OTHER DONORS, E.G. THE USG. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE ARE TOLD EC COMMISSION RECENTLY INSTRUCTED ITS WASHINGTON DELEGATION TO CONTACT DEPARTMENT TO INQUIRE WHETHER US AIR TRANSPORT MIGHT BE MADE AVAILABLE IN ZAIRE TO HELP DISTRIBUTE EMERGENCY AID IN COMING WEEKS.

3. WE ARE ALSO INFORMED BY EC COMMISSION SOURCES THAT DENMARK AND THE NETHERLANDS MAY CONTRIBUTE SMALL AMOUNTS OF EMERGENCY AID FOR ZAIRE THROUGH GHE ICRC. HINTON

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